

Hello Toddler II Families,

Welcome to MDO! We are honored and excited to be your children's teachers this year. Barb Martin and Maddie Wright will be in the Toddler II classroom this year. Our goal is to help your child develop and grow emotionally and socially in a caring and nurturing environment. We have a lot of fun planned for your little ones.

Here is a little info about your teachers

**Ms Barb Martin-** I have been a teacher with MDO for 14 years and before that I was a parent at MDO. My husband Craig and I have 2 adult children. I enjoy working in my yard, baking, going for boat rides, traveling and spending time with my family. I love working with this age group, watching them grow and learn. I look forward to getting to know you and your child.

**Ms. Maddie Wright-** Hi my name is Madalynn Wright but most people call me Maddie, I just graduated from case high school in the academy of childhood development in the spring and I have been here at MDO since June. I absolutely love children and getting to see them grow and become amazing kids! I like working with all the kids but my sweet spot is 1-2 year olds. In my free time I like to hangout with my best friend, and my boyfriend, but most importantly family. My family means the world to me and every chance I get I'm spending time with them. I like to go for drives and listen to music, I like to watch Harry Potter movies, I like to go shopping, and I like having family game nights with my mom's friends that also have kids my age. I am very excited to start the school year and get to know you and your children and help them grow and develop into two year olds.

**Please bring these LABELED items to Open House for your child (to keep at school):**

- package of diapers ( we have room to store a extra pack of diapers)and also any ointment you may use
- sleeping bag,small pillow if desired
- pacifier or comfort item
- Extra change of clothes
- family photo
- Reusable water bottle
- all MDO forms
- Toddler - All About Me form

Every child has their own cubby to keep their things in but it is best to **LABEL** all your items. We do not always remember who came in what jacket. You do not need to bring a sippy cup or bibs (we have those).

Snack: Please bring the snack at the beginning of each month. Enough snacks for 16 kids.

Please label your snack so we know who has brought it in.

Snacks should consist of two parts - fruit or vegetable, grain, or dairy.

Fruit or vegetable - fresh fruit or vegetable, jarred, pouch or raisins

Grain - granola bar, Graham crackers, cheese crackers

Dairy - cheese, yogurt

We have access to a refrigerator.

Whatever your child enjoys is fine to bring as long as it is a healthy option. 2% milk is provided at lunch time. If you want your child to have a different type of milk we ask that you please bring this to school. We do have a refrigerator to store it in.

### **Our daily schedule for the Toddler II:**

7:00-9:00 Before Care if needed

9:00-9:15 Arrival, free play (new activities and toys set out daily)

9:45 - 10:00 Change diapers

10:00 -10:20 Snack, read stories, sing songs, finger plays

10:20 - 10:45 Art

10:45 - 11:00 Music and Movement

11:00 - 11:30 Gym or Outside Play

11:30 - 11:45 Circle Time

11:45- 12:00 Change Diapers

12:00 - 12:30 Lunch

12:30 - 1:55 Nap

2:00 Departure

2:00 - 5:00 Aftercare if needed

You will receive information and pictures about your child's day when you access Parent Engagement App. Please be reminded this is a loose schedule as we are more focused on the needs of each child. Especially in the beginning of the year when all are learning to adapt and transition. Each month you will receive a lesson plan (email) for stories and art projects. You can also go to our website [www.mdoracine.com](http://www.mdoracine.com) for information pertaining to our class. Just look for the Toddler 2. We have different themes each month and talk about these things throughout the day with the children. Our songs, stories and art projects usually reflect the theme. Our theme for September is "Me and My Family". **Please bring in a family photo that we can keep at school.**

We look forward to a great school year!

Ms. Barb and Ms. Maddie

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